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3. SUGGESTED STATEMENT TO BE INCLUDED IN DECISION MEMORAN-

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DUM: RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION OF MAJOR ISSUES IDENTIFIED IN CASP DEPENDS TO A LARGE EXTENT ON ESTIMATES THAT MORALES BERMUDEZ WILL SUCCEED VELASCO AS PRESIDENT AND THAT GOP POLICIES AND METODS UNDER MORALES WILL BE LESS RADICAL THAN UNDER VELASCO. ALTHOUGH T;ESE ESTIMATES APPEAR TO BE WARRANTED, OTHER POSSIBILITIES EXIST WHICH COULD FORCE US TO REASSESS OUR POLICIES. AMONG THESE POSSIBILITIES ARE: AN ARMY OFFICER MORE RADICAL THAN MORALES BERMUDEZ MIGHT SEIZE POWER; AND MORALES BERMUDEZ HIMSELF MIGHT PROVE TO BE MORE RADICAL THAN HE NOW APPEARS TO BE.

- 4. IN CONTEXT OF CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES UNDER BASIC INTEREST OF US NATIONAL DEFENSE (P. 22 OF LIMA DRAFT), DOD/ISA PROPOSES ADDITION OF ACTION PLAN CALLING GREATER USG ATTENTION TO TRAINING OF BOTH CIVILIAN AND MILITARY OFFICIALS IN ORDER TO DILUTE ANTI-US BIAS WHICH VELASCO LEADERSHIP SEES BENT UPON ENGENDERING AMONG PERUVIAN OFFICIALDOM. DOD WILL HAVE SPECIFIC PROPOSAL IN NEXT FEW MONTHS. EMBASSY COMMENTS REQUESTED.
- 5. REGARDING DISCREET US ASSISTANCE TO TRADE UNIONS, (PA-RA. 6, P. 28) REQUEST EMBASSY'S THOUGHTS ON VALUE OF CONTINUING AIFLD PROGRAM IN VIEW OF POTENTIAL POLITICAL COST IF GOP CHOOSES TO PILLORY OUR SUPPORT OF QUOTE OPPOSITION END OF QUOTE UNIONS AS EXAMPLE OF US SUBVERSION. INGERSOLL

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